

February 20, 2008

TO: Members of the MAG 9-1-1 Oversight Team

FROM: Chief Harry Beck, Mesa Fire Department, Chairman

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Thursday, February 28, 2008 - 1:30 p.m.
MAG Office Building, Palo Verde Room
302 North 1st Avenue, Suite 200
Phoenix, AZ

A meeting of the MAG 9-1-1 Oversight Team has been scheduled for the time and place noted above. Please park in the garage under the building, bring your ticket, parking will be validated. Members of the Oversight Team may attend either in person, by videoconference or by telephone conference call. For those using transit, the Regional Public Transportation Authority will provide transit tickets for your trip. For those using bicycles, please lock your bicycle in the bike rack in the garage. If you have any questions regarding the meeting, please contact me at (480) 644-4945, or Liz Graeber, 9-1-1 Administrator, at (602) 534-9775.

TENTATIVE AGENDA

	COMMITTEE ACTION REQUESTED
1. <u>Call to Order</u>	
2. <u>Call to the Audience</u>	2. Information.
An opportunity is provided to the public to address the 9-1-1 Oversight Team on items that are not on the agenda that are within the jurisdiction of MAG, or non-action agenda items that are on the agenda for discussion or information only. Citizens will be requested not to exceed a three minute time period for their comments. A total of 15 minutes will be provided for the Call to the Audience agenda item, unless the Oversight Team requests an exception to this limit. Please note that those wishing to comment on agenda items posted for action will be	

provided the opportunity at the time the item is heard.

3. Approval of the September 11, 2007 Meeting Minutes

4. CENS Informational Video

At past meetings, the Oversight Team discussed having a video that would inform the public of the benefits of the CENS program showing its success stories. MAG staff has been working on producing an informational video that would be shown on community and municipal cable channels. A report will be provided.

5. Update on Funding Issues for the MAG 9-1-1 System

The Emergency Telecommunications Services Revolving Fund was established to provide funding to public safety agencies for the purchase and maintenance of telephone equipment necessary to respond to emergency calls. In addition, the fund allocates three percent of the amount to administrative costs or fees for consultant services. (Of this, the State 9-1-1 Office receives two percent, and the MAG 9-1-1 Office shares one percent with the remainder of the state.) Due to the decrease in the monthly rate per phone line over the past three years (37 cents in FY 2006, 28 cents in FY 2007, and 20 cents in FY 2008), the administrative amount has also decreased. In the current legislative session, HB 2381 has been filed to increase the amount for administrative costs from three percent to five percent. This will allow the MAG 9-1-1 Office to retain the staff required for continuous updating of wireless mapping.

Another component of the region's emergency communications is the Community Emergency Notification System (CENS), which telephones residents with warnings and instructions about how they should react to emergency situations in their area. The fund, which has supported CENS since its inception, will be depleted by the end of FY 2008 (June 30, 2008).

3. Review and approve the minutes of the September 11, 2007 meeting.

4. Information, discussion, and possible action.

5. Information, discussion, and possible action.

On February 13, 2008, the MAG Management Committee received an update on funding issues, and recommended that MAG support legislation to increase the percentage allowed for administrative costs from three to five percent and to encourage the Legislature to provide a permanent funding source to continue the Community Emergency Notification System. This item is on the February 27, 2008 Regional Council agenda. An update will be provided to the Oversight Team on discussions at the meeting. Please refer to the enclosed material.

6. Request for Proposals to Provide Service for the Community Emergency Notification System

Qwest/Intrado have notified the Maricopa Region 9-1-1 Office that after July 1, 2008 they will no longer provide their Emergency Preparedness Network which is the platform used for CENS. The Maricopa Region 9-1-1 Office will release a Request for Proposals using the City of Phoenix procurement process to find a new emergency notification platform for CENS. The Request for Proposals will be released with the understanding that permanent funding has not been secured. Please refer to the enclosed material.

7. Maintenance of the 9-1-1 Equipment

An update will be provided on maintenance of the 9-1-1 equipment.

8. Topic Suggestions

Topics or issues of interest that the group would like to discuss or present at the next meeting will be requested.

6. Information, discussion, and possible action.

7. Information and discussion.

8. Information and discussion.